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SUBJECT: EXPORT CONTROLS AND EXPORT TAXES IMPOSED BY FOREIGN
GOVERNMENTS

REF: STATE 22871

1. FOLLOWING ARE REPLIES TO QUESTIONS POSED REFTEL,
SUPPLIED BY DIRECTOR GOZ CUSTOMS:

A. SINCE JANUARY, 1973, GOZ HAS TAKEN NO MEASURES
TO TIGHTEN EXPORT CONTROLS SO FAR AS CUSTOMS
CONCERNED. ON OTHER HAND, RECENT CREATION VARIOUS
NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL OFFICES, E.G., COFFEE,
RUBBER, OILS, IVORY OFFICES, ETC). AND ZAIRIAN
OFFICE DE CONTROLE WILL REGULATE AND TIGHTEN, FOR
ECONOMIC AND COMMERCIAL PURPOSES, VARIOUS TECHNICAL
CONTROLS OF QUANTITY, QUALITY, AND CONFORMITY OF
CERTAIN PRODUCTS. CONCERNING EXPORT TEAXES (DROITS)
DIRECTOR POINTED OUT THAT THEY REPRESENT A VARIABLE
PERCENTAGE OF VALUE OF EXPORTS. LATTER IS USUALLY A
BASE VALUE MODIFIED MONTHLY AS A FUNCTION OF THE
ECONOMIC SITUATION AND DTERMINED BY DECREE OF STATE
COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE. AS TO APPLICABLE PERCENTAGE,
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DROITS DE SORTIE UNQTE. COPPER PRODUCTS ARE,
MOREOVER, SUBJECT TO A COMPLEMENTARY EXPORT TAX. NO,
NEW EXPORT TAXES HAVE BEEN APPLIED TO OTHER PRODUCTS
SINCE JANUARY 1, 1973.

B. NONE. ONLY CONTROLS FORESEEN ARE TECHNICAL, FOR
CERTAIN AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS (COFFEE, RUBBER, OILS,
IVORY, ETC.).

C. SINCE THE ZAIRE NO LONGER PRACTICES BARTER; NO
RPT NO SUCH AGREEMENTS ARE FORESEEN AT THE PRESENT
TIME.

2. IN DISCUSSING REPLIES, DIRECTOR POINTED OUT THAT THE
OBJECTIVE OF NEW OFFICES WAS TO PROMOTE EXPORTS AND NOT
TO INHIBIT THEM.

3. THERE ARE NO MEASURES IN FORCE TO RESTRICT IMPORTS
EXCEPT FOR PROTECTION OF INFANT INDUSTRIES. BECAUSE OF
COMMITMENTS TO GATT, GOZ CANNOT PROHIBIT IMPORTS, BUT TO
PROTECT CERTAIN INDUSTRIES (E.G., GOODYEAR, MIDEMA)
IMPORTS ARE SUBJECT TO ISSUANCE OF LICENSE, WHICH IN
PRACTICE IS NOT AUTHORIZED.

4. TARIF DES DROITS DE SORTIE PUBLISHED IN 1968. COPY
WITH ANNOTATIONS BY DIRECTOR BRINGING IT UP TO DATE
BEING SENT AIR POUCH.
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